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In re Application of: T. Chakrabarty et al. § Examiner: Singh, Prem C.
Serial No.: 10/646,134 § § Art Unit: 1764
Filed: August 22, 2003 § § Attorney Docket No.: 2001.057
Title: Integrated Process for Bitumen § § Confirmation No.: 8890
Recovery, Separation and
Emulsification for Steam Generation § §

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Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed July 12, 2006, Applicants ask for a Request for Continued Examination and respectfully request entry of the following amendments and response in the above-identified application. A Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal are also enclosed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.